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Vacancies of Teachers
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the shortage of teachers in various Government schools and Kendriya Vidyalayas in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to fill up the vacancies, State/UT-wise and category-wise;

(b) the number of vacancies for teachers funded by the Government under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), State-wise;

(c) the number of teachers appointed in the States including Kerala during the last three years including the current year;

(d) whether it is also a fact that a large number of teachers are being appointed on contract basis depriving them the regular salary and fringe benefits and if so, the details of teachers in private and public schools appointed on contract basis during the last three years; and

(e) the steps taken to discourage/ prevent such appointments?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) are centrally sponsored schemes implemented to support the States/UTs for universalization of education across the country. Under SSA, a total of 19.48 lakh teacher posts have been sanctioned to ensure the pupil-teacher ratio, as stipulated in the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 and 15.59 lakh teacher posts have been filled up and 3.9 lakh teacher posts are vacant as on 31st August, 2015. The State-wise vacancy position of teachers is at Annexure- I. Under RMSA, a total of 115428 teacher posts have been approved out of which 73607 teachers have been recruited by the States/UTs leaving a vacancy of 41821 teachers as on 31st October, 2015. State-wise details are at Annexure-II (Table-B) . In Kendriya Vidyalayas, out of 45929 sanctioned posts, 9259 teaching posts are lying vacant as on 1.11.2015. State-wise details are at Annexure-III.
The Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) in Kendriya Vidyalayas is 1:26 as on 31st March, 2015, whereas it is 1:19 in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas. The Central Government continuously pursues and takes up the issue of filling up of vacant teacher positions with the respective State Government/UTs, which have the primary responsibility to fill up the posts. The reasons for shortage of teachers as reported by State Governments/UTs include, inter alia, procedural delays in teacher recruitment processes, non-availability of professionally qualified persons and sufficient number of candidates not qualifying the Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) conducted by the appropriate governments.
(b): For vacant posts, no funds are provided to State/UTs under SSA and RMSA. Funds are provided towards salary only when the posts are filled up.
(c): The number of teachers recruited under SSA, RMSA and Kendriya Vidyalayas in Kerala during last three years is as under:
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Years Teachers appointed in Kerala
SSA RMSA KV
2013-14 2925 570 0
2014-15 1825 666 190
2015-16 1825 655 42
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(d) & (e): Under SSA, the terms and conditions on which teachers are recruited are determined by the State Government. The State-wise details of contract teachers are at Annexure-IV. The RMSA scheme provides for subject-wise teachers / Post Graduation teachers to ensure PTR of 1:30. The necessity of recruitment of approved teachers under SSA and RMSA on regular basis has been emphasized at different interactive forums like Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE), Education Secretaries' meetings, Regional and National workshops and conferences, and Project Approval Board meetings under SSA and RMSA.
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